THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS MASSACHUSETTS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION – HIGHWAY DIVISION NOTICE OF A PUBLIC HEARING

Project File No. 607409

A Design Public Hearing will be held by MassDOT to discuss the proposed Massachusetts Avenue (Mass Ave) Roadway Reconstruction project in the Town of Lexington, MA.

WHERE:

Samuel Hadley Public Services Building

Room No. 126 201 Bedford Street Lexington, MA 02420

WHEN:

Thursday, May 7, 2015 at 7:00 PM

PURPOSE:

The purpose of this hearing is to provide the public with the opportunity to become fully acquainted with the proposed Mass Ave reconstruction project. All views and comments made at the hearing will be

reviewed and considered to the maximum extent possible.

PROPOSAL: The proposed project consists of improvements along a 3,500 foot section of Mass Ave between Marrett Road and Pleasant Street. General improvements include: new sidewalks, bicycle lanes on both sides of the roadway, one 11-foot general use travel lane in each direction, parking lanes, intersection turning lanes, new traffic signals at three Mass Ave intersections (Marrett Road, Maple Street and Pleasant Street), a traffic signal at the East Lexington Fire Station and a pedestrian signal at the Waldorf School. The proposed cross-section narrows the travel lanes to provide the sense of a village center, help reduce travel speeds and improve safety for all roadway users. Additionally, the number of crosswalks across Mass Ave will be reduced to only be located at several strategic locations.

A secure right-of-way is necessary for this project. Acquisitions in fee and permanent or temporary easements may be required. The Town of Lexington is responsible for acquiring all needed rights in private or public lands. MassDOT's policy concerning land acquisitions will be discussed at this hearing.

Written views received by MassDOT subsequent to the date of this notice and up to five (5) days prior to the date of the hearing shall be displayed for public inspection and copying at the time and date listed above. Plans will be on display one-half hour before the hearing begins, with an engineer in attendance to answer questions regarding this project. A project handout will be made available on the MassDOT website listed below. Written statements and other exhibits in place of, or in addition to, oral statements made at the Public Hearing regarding the proposed undertaking are to be submitted to Patricia A. Leavenworth, P.E., Chief Engineer, MassDOT, 10 Park Plaza, Boston, MA 02116, Attention: Roadway Project Management, Project File No. 607409. Such submissions will also be accepted at the hearing. Mailed statements and exhibits intended for inclusion in the public hearing transcript must be postmarked within ten (10) business days of this Public Hearing. Project inquiries may be emailed to dot.feedback.highway@state.ma.us

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